City of Fresno / County of Fresno's 10 Year Plan to Prevent & End Homelessness

YEAR THREE 2011 REPORT

- Developers: A Leadership Council acts as the policy sounding board and Planning Council (now disbanded, only for the development of the plan) made up of multiple city and county officials, a local developer, multiple housing and service providers, housing authority, private sector businesses, Chamber of Commerce, faith-based groups, hospitals and clinics, homeless people, and other community stakeholders.
- Adopted By: The City of Fresno and the County of Fresno on September 8, 2008

Key Goals:

- 1. Place 941 chronically homeless into permanent supported housing in 10 years.
- 2. Identify city/county barriers to implementing a Housing First model.
- 3. Employ 40% of homeless population in 10 years.
- 4. Establish respite care centers within one year of plan implementation.
- 5. Within 6 month of plan implementation, provide rental assistance and support service vouchers, public showers, triaged medical care, clothes exchange at a permanent location, and host Project Homeless Connect Events.
- 6. Reduce hospital, correctional facility, and foster care discharges into homelessness.
- 7. Provide one-time foreclosure assistance to low-to-moderate income residents.
- 8. Strengthen ties with faith-based groups, shelters, and the housing authority to provide outreach programs designed to increase housing and economic stability.
- 9. Expand rental assistance, legal aid, and affordable housing placement and creation.
- 10. All homeless service providers will utilize HMIS within two years of plan implementation.
- 11. Identify an agency to serve as the single point of contact, driving force, and accountable agent for homeless people in Fresno County.

Short-Term Objectives:

- 1. Use existing housing stock in addition to rehab and new construction alternatives.
- 2. Identify short, medium, and long tern 10 Year Plan goals.
- 3. Draft more succinct and measurable goals and objectives.
- 4. Use HMIS data to confirm progress.
- 5. Build public/private partnerships to support programming

THIRD FULL YEAR ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

- 1. Point in Time Survey conducted on January 28, 2011 where 5,106 (Sheltered & Un-Sheltered) were counted in an eight hour period by over 150 volunteers per HUD policy in Fresno / Madera county
- 2. Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program (HPRP)

Total Served to December 31, 2011

1,113 individuals (502 Households) – Rapidly Re-Housed CITY 491 individuals (207 Households) – Rapidly Re-Housed COUNTY

1,604 individuals (709 Households)- TOTAL APPROVED FOR RAPID RE-HOUSING

939 individuals (389 Households) – Prevented from becoming homeless CITY
535 individuals (245 Households) – Prevented from becoming homeless COUNTY
1,474individuals (634 Households) - TOTAL APPROVED FOR PREVENTION

100,000 Homes Campaign comes to Fresno- Project P4 (People, Place, Public, Partnerships)

 (Lead Agency Fresno Housing Authority.)

Creation of a by name registry of those on the streets and in shelters which allows to prioritize based on a Vulnerability Index (VI) was done over 4 days in July to 287 persons living in encampments South of Ventura (downtown core). The VI informed providers as to who should be housed first and lead to over 60 persons gaining housing through existing funding.

THIRD FULL YEAR 2011 ACCOMPLISHMENTS (page 2):

- 4. Fresno Medical Respite Center opens, July 2011 (a partnership of St Agnes, Kaiser, Community, Clinica Sierra Vista, with housing at the Fresno Rescue Mission for men and Mental Health Systems for women
- 5. Fresno First Steps Home re-grants \$250,000 for housing to the Fresno Housing Authority / matched by Fresno Housing Authority- provides over 40 persons with Housing from Project P4 VI registry.
- 6. Renaissance at Trinity opens August, 20 units of Permanent Supportive Housing
- 7. Second large scale de-encampment clean-up completed in the area South of Ventura

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